



# THE PARKS REPORT

A Summary of Birmingham's System of Parks & Recreation Facilities

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## Maintenance by the Numbers

The Maintenance Division of Birmingham Park and Recreation is a staff of 60, led by Charles Brundidge, facility manager. This division consists of laborers, plumbers, electricians, carpenters, HVAC, painters, fencing and special events crews, and horticultural staff. In January, horticultural crew cleaned 1,923.61 acres of parks and green space; collected 443 bags of litter; disposed of 43.31 tons of debris in the landfill; removed 100 bags of leaves and assisted with volunteer clean-up efforts at Stockham Park (Jan. 9 and Jan. 18); Avondale Park (Jan. 18); Urban Impact (Jan. 30) and George Ward Park (Jan. 30). *See Maintenance Report, pg. 2*

## #TheMagicofPlay

Though hobbled by the pandemic, 25 facilities—21 recreation centers, tennis center, fitness center, Botanical Gardens, and Legion Field—administered by the Park Board, offered more than 45 programs and activities during the month of January 2021. The staff was resourceful and creative in structuring a safe environment wherein patrons of all ages and backgrounds could thrive and participate in karate, Zumba, line dance, kick boxing, gardening, computer lab, board games and fitness walking, to name but a few.



## Upcoming

Feb. 28, Hidden Jewels Football Camp, Legion Field

Feb. 20, Avondale Park Volunteers

April 4, Rock City Church Service, Legion Field

April 17, Magic City Classic

April 24, Premier Boxing, Legion Field

April 30 - May 1, UAB Graduation Ceremony, Legion Field

*"We must provide suitable playgrounds with proper supervision, looking toward a perfect development, physical, mental, moral. Open spaces provide an opportunity for that exercise and fresh air which add so much to physical development."*

—Olmsted Brothers,

*A System of Parks & Playgrounds for Birmingham*

## Your Special Event Spot

Birmingham Park and Recreation venues offer rental space for weddings, parties and other special events.

### VENUE:

### JANUARY REVENUE:

Birmingham Botanical Gardens	\$2,900.00
Legion Field Stadium	TBD
Recreation Facilities	\$17,050.00
Reservations + Parks	\$100.00

*COVID-19 restrictions greatly impacted bookings for January, which is traditionally a slow month.*



Revenue from reservations for Jan. 2021 totaled \$20,050.00



## Recreation Facilities

**Brownsville Heights**  
**Central Park**  
**East Pinson Valley**  
**Ensley**  
**Fountain Heights**  
**Harriman**  
**Harrison**  
**Henry Crumpton**  
**Hooper City**  
**Howze-Sanford**  
**Inglennook**  
**Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK)**  
**McAlpine**  
**Memorial**  
**North Birmingham**  
**Oxmoor Valley**  
**Roebuck-Hawkins**  
**Roosevelt City**  
**Sandusky**  
**Wiggins**  
**Willow Wood**  
*\* For information on a recreation center near you, call 205-541-1633*  
**Highland Park Racquet Club**  
205-714-8652  
**Fitness Center**  
205-297-8130  
**Legion Field Stadium**  
205-254-2391  
**Birmingham Botanical Gardens**  
205-414-3900

## Maintenance Report

**Horticulture Crews:** cut, trimmed and maintained McLendon Park and George Ward Park softball facility; **Carpenters/Maintenance:** boarded up windows at MLK Recreation Center, repaired locks at George Ward Park, repaired locks and doors at Birmingham Botanical Gardens, repaired pier at East Lake Park, repaired windows at Willow Wood Recreation Center, replaced ceiling tiles at Boswell-Highland Golf Course, replaced lights and ceiling tiles at North Birmingham Recreation Center, cleared drains at Botanical Gardens and East Pinson Valley Recreation Center, repaired locks on Legion Field storage Room and Maintenance Shop; **Plumbers:** repaired water main break at Legion Field, repaired toilets at Oxmoor Valley Community Center, repaired hot water tank at Brownsville Heights Community Center, tested backflow on all water meters, winterized areas U1 and U2 at Legion Field, repaired leak in restroom at Botanical Gardens, preventative maintenance on restrooms at Legion Field; **HVAC:** repaired heater at Central Park Recreation Center, maintenance on heaters and boiler at East Pinson Valley Recreation Center, repaired heaters at Brownsville Heights Community Center, preventative maintenance at Oxmoor Valley Community Center, repaired unit at Howze-Sanford Recreation Center, repaired duct work at North Birmingham Recreation Center, preventative air filter maintenance at Legion Field, repaired heater at Harriman Recreation Center, preventative maintenance in Park and Recreation facilities; **Electricians:** repaired lights in boardroom at Legion Field, repaired power source at Legion Field COVID-19 testing site, replaced lights at Avondale Park, repaired lights at North Birmingham Recreation Center; **Painters:** removal of graffiti at Linn Park, removal of graffiti at Bessie Estell Park, cleaning and maintenance of artificial playing surface at Legion field, assisted DPW in painting BPD facilities, painted areas U1 and U2 at Legion Field, maintenance of equipment; **Special Events:** volunteer park clean-up days at Stockham, Avondale and George Ward Parks, Urban Impact; **Fence Crew:** replaced gates at Lowery Park baseball complex, installed signage at East Pinson Valley Recreation Center, installed trash receptacles at East Brownville Park, installed signage at North Birmingham Park.

## Birmingham Botanical Gardens Winter Maintenance

**Landscape:** trim and prune trees and shrubs, continue blowing and collecting leaves, mulch beds with pine bark, clean and refill water features at Sonat Lake, Fern glade, Iris Garden, Camellia Garden and Rushton Garden, preventative maintenance on water feature pumps; **Garden Center Building:** strip, wax and seal all concrete floors, strip and wax tile floors, treat all stains in carpets, shampoo carpets, routine cleaning of ice machine, clean and organize all storage areas.

## Stadium Crew

Cleaning and maintenance of stadium and suites, daily sanitization of all office areas, coordinate and finalize event agreements.

